



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher, Acting Omaha Police Chief Alex Hays, and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: For having been a Felon in Possession of a Firearm on December 12, 2008, Brandon D Patterson was sentenced by the Honorable Joseph Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, to serve 36 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On December 12, 2008, Omaha Police observed a car with a vision obstruction driving in the area of the North High School parking lot. A stop was effected at 31st Avenue and Ames. The front and right rear passengers ran. The rear driver's side occupant also tried to exit the vehicle but was stopped. Police observed a .357 revolver under the driver's seat, at the foot of where Patterson had been seated. Patterson was prohibited from possessing a firearm as he had been convicted of robbery in 2007.

Name of Defendant: Brandon D Patterson

AKA: n/a

Age: 19

City of Residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in Possession of a Firearm carries not more than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: 31st Avenue and Ames, Omaha

Location of Arrest: 31st Avenue and Ames, Omaha

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: n/a

Others Charged in Same Scheme: n/a

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: December 12, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: June 3, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: n/a

Indictment Returned Date: May 21, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: June 3, 2009

Plea Date(s): June 24, 2009

Sentencing Date: September 18, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. Thomas Thalken

Held without Bond: Yes

In Continuous Custody Since: December 12, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Joseph Bataillon

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